Portland Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Food - Drug Interactions

Does the food you eat affect the medicine you are taking?

Isocarboxazid (Marplan®) Phenelzine (Nardil®) Tranylcypromine sulfate (Parnate®)

What are these medications used for?

To treat depression and anxiety.

What foods should I avoid if I take these medications?

Caffeine Coffee Alcohol Soda Pop Chocolate Smoked Fish Bologna Liver Pickled Fish Pepperoni Salami **Broad Beans** Raspberries Sauerkraut Avocado Soy Sauce Peanuts Soya Beans Caviar Summer Sausage **Snow Peas**

Fava Beans Miso Soup Cheese





What could happen if I take isocarboxazid, phenelzine, or tranylcypromine sulfate and these foods at the same time?

Headache Sweating Nausea Vomiting

Neck stiffness Blurred vision

Dizziness Fast, pounding heartbeat

Tightness in your chest or throat



